Remedial Branch update 9-18-17 for the 9/19/17 Report

All 43 Federal Superfund NPL Sites in the affected area have been assessed. Of these, 41 sites have been cleared, and two sites (San Jacinto Pits and US Oil Recovery) require additional follow-up.

Beginning on September 6, 2017, EPA directed potentially responsible parties or independently started collecting samples at 34 Texas Superfund Sites and 9 Louisiana Superfund Sites to confirm no releases due to storm impacts. Six EPA field teams along with potentially responsible parties completed sampling at all 43 superfund sites. Teams completed sampling on September 14, 2017, in Texas and on September 15, 2017, in Louisiana. The sampling is part of a longer-term assessment that will be used to transition sites to their normal cleanup operations. All preliminary un-validated results for Texas have arrived. Preliminary un-validated data for Louisiana have arrived, with the remaining 3 expected by September 19, 2017.

EPA received preliminary data for 40 sites, and has publically reported on 20. Review of preliminary data packages continues and will be reported as completed. Final Data packages are expected within two weeks.

San Jacinto: The responsible party submitted, and EPA approved the cap repair work plan on September 15, 2017. The responsible party began cap repairs and maintenance work on September 16, 2017. No work is occurring September 18, 2017, due to required contractor training. Work will resume tomorrow September 19, 2017. Samples collected on September 15, 2017, by the EPA dive team were sent for dioxin/furan analysis.